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HYDEL POTENTIAL IN ORISSA
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the tremendous Hydel potential in Orissa;

(b) if so, the steps taken to exploit the hydel potential in that State;

(c) the details of the hydel projects presently under execution in the State; and

(d) the details of assistance provided by the Union Government to Orissa for this purpose?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF POWER (SHRIMATI JAYAWANTI MEHTA)

(a) : The Central Electricity Authority (CEA) had identified 18 schemes withan estimated hydro power potential of 2999 MW in Orissa from studies carried out during 1978-87.

(b) : 7 hydro power projects with an installed capacity of 1843.5 MW have already been developed and 2 hydro projects of 210 MW installed capacity are under development.

(c) & (d) : Balimela Dam Toe (2x30 MW) and Balimela Extension (2x75 MW) arepresently under execution. Jalaput Project (3x6 MW) has been cleared by CEA forexecution in Orissa. Power Finance Corporation has sanctioned a loan of US$ 21.21million and Rs.29.04 crores for Balimela Extension Project Unit 7 & 8 (2x75 MW).